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June 27, 2002

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**REJECT BIDS
PROJECT ID NO. FCC0000780
BARRINGTON AVENUE PROJECT NO. 499
INVERT REPAIR
SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 3
3 VOTES**

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

Reject all bids received on May 14, 2002, for Project ID No. FCC0000780, Barrington Avenue Project No. 499 Invert Repair, in the Brentwood Area of the City of Los Angeles, California.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

This action will provide an opportunity to revise the plans and the Schedule of Prices for the Barrington Avenue Project No. 499 Invert Repair. Plan revisions are necessary in order to avoid costly change orders.

On May 14, 2002, four bids were received for the work of this contract, with the low bid 5 percent above the engineer's estimate. This project involves repairing erosion of the bottom of two reinforced concrete pipe storm drains. The estimated bid quantity for one of the items of work is incorrect and, as a result, equitable payment for this item would be very difficult. Therefore, rejecting this bid, correcting the project plans and specifications, and readvertising the project when the revised plans and specifications are available are in the County's best interest.

Our certified record of receipt of bids and the original bid proposals as submitted by the bidders are enclosed.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

This action is consistent with the County Strategic Plan Goal of Fiscal Responsibility since it is not fiscally prudent to award this project until the estimated quantities for the bid items are corrected.

FISCAL IMPACT/ FINANCING

Readvertising this project will assure that competitive bids are received for the work to be done. The cost to modify the plans and readvertise the project will be offset by savings in construction costs.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The "Instructions to Bidders" included in the bid documents provides for the rejection of all bids by your Board if such action is in the best interest of the County.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES OR PROJECTS

The delay in constructing this project will have little or no long-term impact on current services.

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CONCLUSION

Please return one approved copy of this letter to the Public Works.

Respectfully submitted,

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cc: Chief Administrative Officer
County Counsel
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